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In re Application of:

William N. Partlo, et al.

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LASER

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AMENDMENT B

Sir:

This letter is in response to Office Action mailed December 3, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An electric discharge laser apparatus including a tangential fan comprising:

- A) a laser chamber comprising:
 - 1) a laser gas,
 - 2) at least two longitudinal electrodes for producing to electric discharges defining a discharge region in said gas,
 - 3) a tangential fan for circulating said laser gas said fan defining a rotation axis and a circumference corresponding to a blade

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